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Mr. Richard Blubaugh
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Richard

Dear Mr. Blubaugh:

Re: Site Status of the M/037/008 - Locust Spider Mine, and M/037/011 - Standard #2 Mine, San Juan County, Utah

On June 3, 1988, two Division employees, Holland Shepherd and Frank Filas, inspected the Locust-Spider mine site. They indicated to me that the work done at the site looks good. Mr. Shepherd has advised me that the site has been reclaimed to the Division's satisfaction. We will make the recommendation to the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining that Atlas Minerals be released from any further obligation concerning this site. I will contact you as soon as this has been accomplished.

On June 2, 1988, the preceding day, Messrs. Shepherd and Filas visited the Standard #2 mine site. Mr. Shepherd has informed me that the reclamation on the upper portion of the site, which includes the portals and the access road, looks satisfactory. The Division will require no further reclamation work on this portion of the site. Also, no further work will be required for the waste pile. Mr. Shepherd has informed me that the steepness of the area presents too large a barrier to further reclamation efforts. He also indicated that some plant establishment has started on the waste pile that will eventually expand and help to stabilize it.

The lower portion of the site, as you know, now needs to be graded ripped, and seeded, taking into account the drainage patterns crossing the area to be disturbed. It will be a great help in reclaiming this area having had the low grade ore pile removed.

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Your reclamation efforts at these sites is appreciated. Please contact me or Holland Shepherd if you have any comments or questions.

Sincerely,



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